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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 8195

BILL NUMBER: HB 1976

DATE PREPARED: Jan 22, 1999

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Pesticide use by schools and day care centers.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: The governing body of a day care center, preschool, or school must designate a contact person to provide certain information about pesticide use to each student, a parent or guardian of each student, and each staff member. The contact person must keep a pesticide notification list and notify each person on the list not less than 48 hours before a planned use of pesticides and not more than 24 hours after an emergency use of pesticides.

The Department of Education must notify schools of the need for notice concerning pesticide applications.

This bill includes pest eradication as a service that may be regulated for the use of environmental marketing claims. The Department of Environmental Management must study integrated pest management and make recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor. This bill establishes the Integrated Pest Management Program Advisory Council to advise the Department of Environmental Management on the Department's study and recommendations.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Department of Education is required to notify school corporations of the need to adopt a pesticide management system. This provision should have little impact on the Department because the Department already has a system in place to notify school corporations.

The Department of Environmental Management is to study integrated pest management and make recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor. The bill specifies that the study is subject to the availability of funds. The Department would initiate the study if funds were available to do to.

This bill establishes the Integrated Pest Management Program Advisory Council to advise the Department of Environmental Management on the Department's study and recommendations. The advisory council

consists of 12 members: the State Chemist; the State Health Commissioner or designee; and ten members appointed by the Governor. A member who is not a state employee is entitled to the same per diem and mileage allowances as provided by law for state employees. State employees are allowed mileage reimbursement of \$0.28 per mile and per diem of \$26. Eight members of the Council are not state employees. If the Council met 12 times a year, per diem (or subsistence) would cost \$2,496. If the average number of miles traveled per member equaled \$50, mileage costs would equal \$4,800. Total per diem and mileage would equal \$7,296. (Additional information will be provided when it becomes available.)

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The governing body of a day care center, preschool, or school must designate a contact person to provide certain information about pesticide use to each student, a parent or guardian of each student, and each staff member. The contact person must keep a pesticide notification list and notify each person on the list not less than 48 hours before a planned use of pesticides and not more than 24 hours after an emergency use of pesticides. The specific increase in costs associated with the proposal is indeterminable and will depend, in part, on the pesticide programs or other similar programs currently in place at the local level. School corporations may already have in place a system through which they notify parents of other issues pertaining to the operations of the school.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Education; Department of Environmental Management; Office of the State Chemist; State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected: Day care centers and public schools.

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